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## **Americans Call for Term Limits, End to Electoral College**

## Virtually no partisan disagreement on these long-discussed constitutional reforms

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PRINCETON, NJ -- Even after the 2012 election in which Americans re-elected most of the sitting members of the U.S. House and Senate -- as is typical in national elections -- three-quarters of Americans say that, given the opportunity, they would vote "for" term limits for members of both houses of Congress.

## Americans' Support for Establishing Term Limits for Federal Lawmakers

Suppose that on Election Day you could vote on key issues as well as candidates. Would you vote for or against a law that would limit the number of terms which members of Congress and the U.S. Senate can serve?

	Would vote "for" term limits	Would vote "against" term limits	No opinion
	%	%	%
National adults	75	21	5
Republicans	82	15	3
Independents	79	17	4
Democrats	65	29	5
18 to 29 years	74	22	4
30 to 49 years	73	22	5
50 to 64 years	77	19	4
65 and older	74	21	5

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## **GALLUP**

Republicans and independents are slightly more likely than Democrats to favor term limits; nevertheless, the vast majority of all party groups agree on the issue. Further, Gallup finds no generational differences in support for the proposal.

These findings, from Gallup Daily tracking conducted Jan. 8-9, are similar to those from 1994 to 1996 Gallup polls, in which between two-thirds and three-quarters of Americans said they would vote for a constitutional amendment to limit the number of terms that members of Congress and the U.S. Senate can serve.